

Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Involving Toddler

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Magnolia – The Delaware State Police have arrested a female for vehicular assault after she struck a small child in a west Magnolia neighborhood.

The incident occurred around 3:50 p.m. Tuesday April 11, 2017 as **Kenyanna S. Suarez**, 30 of Magnolia, was operating a 2002 Chevrolet Avalanche northbound on Nascar Lane from Irish Hill Road when a 2-year-old male, who was riding a bicycle in the roadway, was struck by the truck. The pickup was able to come to a controlled stop a short distance away from the impact.

The 2-year-old boy, who lives in the area, was airlifted from the scene by Delaware State Police Aviation to A.I. DuPont Hospital where he is currently admitted in serious condition.

Witness accounts to the events that took place revealed Suarez was driving at a high rate of speed when she entered into the neighborhood and was talking on her cell phone. This occurred at a time when children were being dropped off by area school buses and parents were standing outside awaiting their arrival.

Kenyanna Suarez was transported back to Troop 3 where she was charged with Vehicular Assault 2nd, Driving While Suspended or Revoked, Failure to Have Insurance in Possession, Failure to Have License in Possession, Driving at Unreasonable Speed, and Driving While Using an Electronic Device (Cell Phone). She was arraigned at JP2 and released on \$2,150.00 unsecured bond.

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